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25. Alexander Hamilton	Founding father who advocated for a strong central government and central bank with the government playing an active role in the economy.	33. Law of Demand	Consumers buy more of a good when its price decreases and less when its price increases
24. Board of Governors	Seven member board that oversees the Fed. Appointed by the President, confirmed by the Senate - their duty is to operate	32. Law of Suppy	As the price of an item goes up, the supply of that item will also go up. As the price of a good decreases, the quantity supplied decreases.
37. Contractionary Money Policy	America's banking system. a plan to reduce the amount of money in circulation; also called tight money policy	6. Macroeconomics	Looks at the economy as a whole, focusing on issues such as growth, unemployment, inflation, and business
26. Cost-Benefit Analysis	A decision-making technique that examines the costs and expected benefits of a choice	5. Market Economy	An economy in which the decisions of communities, households and firms
30. Demand	Consumer willingness and ability to buy products		interacting in markets allocate economic resources.
8. Demand deposit	A bank deposit from which withdrawals can be made without notice. An example is a checking account.	16. Microeconomics	Study of a single factor of an economy - such as individuals, households, businesses, & industries - rather than an economy as a whole.
12. Discount Rate	The interest rate on the loans that the Fed makes to banks	7. Monetarist	Those who argue that government can effectively control the performance of an
4. Easy money policy	Monetary policy that increases the money supply. Also known as expansionary monetary policy		economy only by controlling the supply of money
27. Economic Systems	1) Traditional 2) Authoritarian 3) Market	1. Monetary Policy	Government policy that attempts to manage the economy by controlling the money supply and thus interest rates.
18. Economizing	Making decisions that rest in the best combination of cost and benefits	29. Money's Economic	Scarcity Stability of Value
28. Efficiency	Condition in which maximum output is obtained from the resources used to produce goods and services	Properties 22. Money's Physical Properties	3) Acceptability1) Portability2) Divisibility
3. Expansionary Monetary	Federal Reserve system actions to increase the money supply, lower interest rates, and		3) Transportability4) Uniformity
Policy 10. Factors of	expand real GDP; an easy money policy. Land, Labor, Capital, Entrepreneurship	21. Nationalization	Changing something from private to state ownership or control
Production 23. Federal Open Market Committee	the 12 member group that determines the purchase and sale policies of the Federal Reserve Banks in the market for U.S. government securities	15. Normative Economics	An approach to economics that analyzes outcomes of economic behavior, evaluates them as good or bad, and may prescribe courses of action. Also called policy economics.
2. Federal Reserve System	The country's central banking system, which is responsible for the nation's monetary policy by regulating the supply of money and interest rates	36. Opportunity Cost	A benefit that is given up when selecting one alternative over another.
		14. Positive Economics	An approach to economics that seeks to understand behavior and the operation of systems without making judgments. It describes what exists and how it works.
17. Fractional Reserve	a banking system that keeps only the required reserve ratio, set by the Fed, and		
Banking 19. Inflation	A decline in the value of money,	13. Prime Rate	Rate of interest banks charge on short- term loans to their best customers
	accompanied by a rise in the prices of goods and services.		

20. Production Possibilities Curve	A graph that describes the maximum amount of one good that can be produced for every possible level of production of the other good
9. Required Reserve Ratio	The minimum percentage of deposits that banks are required to hold as reserves.
34. Scarcity	A situation in which unlimited wants exceed the limited resources available to fulfill those wants
31. Supply	How much of a good or service a producer is willing and able to produce at different prices.
35. Trade Off	Sacrifices made in order to obtain or achieve something else., an alternative that we sacrifice when we make a decision
11. Wildcat Banking	refers to banks being located in remote area who issued bank notes of questionable value